

**Coronavirus: COVID-19**  
**Current Update – February 11, 2022**

As of February 11th, 2022, Canada has a total of 3,173,888 confirmed cases of COVID-19. Ontario has 1,067,511 cases and Toronto has 282,108 cases.

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**Please note:** As of December 31, 2021, Ontario is only providing PCR tests to symptomatic, high-risk individuals. This has likely resulted in a lower amount of daily cases being reported.

Covid-19 cases this week:

Monday February 7: **2088**

Tuesday February 8: **2092**

Wednesday February 9: **3162**

Thursday February 10: **3201**

Friday February 11: **2907**

**Ontario reports 1897 people in hospital with COVID-19 and 445 patients in ICU**

Today, there are 3201 new cases of COVID-19 in Ontario, this is likely an underestimate as PCR tests are not widely available. The positivity rate is 11.7%.

Ontario is reporting that 1,897 people are in hospital with COVID-19. Approximately 56% of these patients were admitted because of their COVID-19 diagnosis, the remaining 44% were admitted for other reasons but have now tested positive for COVID-19.

There are 445 COVID-19 patients in an intensive care unit. Of all patients, 961 of them are fully vaccinated, 400 are unvaccinated, 79 are partially vaccinated, and 457 have an unknown vaccination status.

New data from the Ontario Science Table suggests that when population size is considered, people who are fully vaccinated are 82.7% less likely to end up in hospital and 91.3% less likely to end up in ICU compared to people who are unvaccinated.

Today's cases were found in: Toronto (1031), Peel Region (433), Ottawa (377), Simcoe-Muskoka (342), Hamilton (267), York Region (327), Durham Region (262), Niagara Region (223), Middlesex-London (254), Windsor-Essex (254), Halton Region (171), Grey Bruce (107), Lambton (142), Northwestern (136), Porcupine (124), Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph (107) and Waterloo (211). All other health units reported fewer than 100 COVID-19 cases in Ontario.

In Ontario, 79.9% of the eligible population is fully vaccinated, with 45% of the population having received three doses. Meanwhile, 85.1% of people in Ontario who are eligible for a vaccine have had at least one dose.

Sources:

1. <https://covid19tracker.ca/index.html>
2. <https://toronto.ctvnews.ca/covid-19-hospitalizations-in-ontario-drop-below-2-000-another-44-deaths-reported-1.5775905>
3. [Ontario COVID-19 Data Tool | Public Health Ontario](#)
4. <https://www.ctvnews.ca/health/coronavirus/tracking-every-case-of-covid-19-in-canada-1.4852102>

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### **Doug Ford says plan in works to remove Ontario's vaccine passport system**

Ontario Premier Doug Ford has informed the province that plans are in the works to remove the vaccine passport system that requires individuals to show proof of vaccination upon entering many establishments and other settings.

“Today we are on track to very soon remove almost all restrictions for businesses as a part of our reopening plan,” Ford said during a news conference Friday. “And we heard from Dr. Moore last week, and again yesterday that he is now working on a plan that will allow us to remove the vaccine passport system. My friends, this is great news and a sign of just how far we have come together in this fight.”

Ford made sure to specify that these plans were not made because of the trucker convoy protests, and that these decisions were discussed prior to the demonstrations beginning. Ford feels that the passports have “done their job” in protecting people against the virus, but that the passport will not be able to continue forever.

Source:

1. [Doug Ford says plan in works to remove Ontario's vaccine passport system | CTV News](#)

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### **Ontario's COVID-19 Vaccine booking portal:**

Those eligible for a vaccine can book here: <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/book-vaccine/>.

Or by phone at: 1-833-943-3900.

For general information about vaccines, call: 1-888-999-6488.

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### **In Toronto? Here's a safe transportation option to go to your vaccine appointment:**

Wheel-Trans is committed to providing vaccine rides to the elderly and people with disabilities in Toronto. Wheel-Trans is offering individual rides to City-run mass vaccination sites,

pharmacies, doctor's offices, and clinics that are giving out vaccines. Customers may be joined by one Support Person on their Wheel-Trans ride.

You may be eligible for Wheel-Trans service if your disability prevents you from using the TTC's conventional transit for all or part of their trip.

If you are not yet a Wheel-Trans customer, and you think you may qualify for Wheel-Trans service, you are invited to apply by calling Wheel-Trans Customer Service at 416-393-4111, Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Existing Wheel-Trans customers can book their rides to and from their vaccine appointments by calling Wheel-Trans Reservations at 416-393-4222, seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. or through the Wheel-Trans Self-Booking Website. Access the website by clicking here: <https://mywheel-trans.ttc.ca/SelfBooking2020/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fSelfBooking2020>.

### **Upcoming Events:**

## **North Yorkers**

### **The Communication Enrichment Class (ongoing)**

The class is running virtually on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1pm. You can find the online blog at <https://nydpcec.wordpress.com/> where class activities will be posted before each class. If you or someone you know has a communication disability and may be interested in participating in the class, please contact Jessica, our Manager of Client Services via email at [jessica.nydp@gmail.com](mailto:jessica.nydp@gmail.com).

## **March of Dimes**

### **One to One Peer Support Program**

The One to One Peer Support program is still running. No one understands quite like somebody who has lived the same experience. Our Peer Support program pairs caregivers with peers who are also experienced in caregiving and can offer practical advice and support by phone or a video chat. Contact Angie Clark by email at [aclark@marchofdimes.ca](mailto:aclark@marchofdimes.ca) or call 1-905-301-8114 for more information or to get connected.

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If you or someone you know uses Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC), and requires resources related to COVID-19, please contact Jessica ([jessica.nydp@gmail.com](mailto:jessica.nydp@gmail.com)) and she can assist you in accessing and/or creating various communication tools.

If you think you may be experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, take the self-assessment at [www.ontario.ca/coronavirus](http://www.ontario.ca/coronavirus). Follow all directions from your medical provider or your local health unit at the following phone numbers:

Telehealth Ontario: 1-866-797-0000  
Toronto Public Health: 416-338-7600  
Peel Public Health: 905-799-7700  
Durham Region Health Department: 905-668-7711  
York Region Public Health: 1-877-464-9675

Please refer to previous updates as lots of important information has been provided that may still be relevant. If you have any questions or require more information on how you can protect yourself and those around you from the COVID-19 virus, please contact our Senior Manager of Client Services/Lead AAC Facilitator Jessica at 416-222-4448 or [jessica.nydp@gmail.com](mailto:jessica.nydp@gmail.com).